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## **Muncie Park & Recreation Board Meeting**

**Tuesday, October 12, 2021**

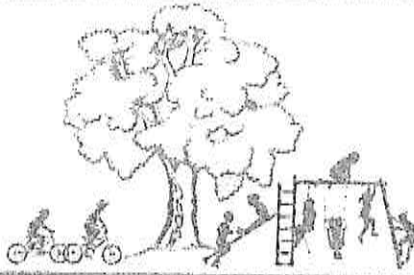
**City Hall Auditorium**

- (1) Call to Order
- (2) Pledge of Allegiance
- (3) Roll Call
- (4) Approval of the minutes from (July 2021) Park Board Meeting.
- (5) Superintendent Report – Carl Malone
- (6) Approval for Park Foundation through Muncie-Delaware County Community Foundation. Also have Board name the Park Foundation
- (7) Old Business
- (8) New Business
  - New Park Logo
- (9) Other Business – This is a call to the Audience that may have items that need Approved from Parks and Recreation Board
- (10) Action Items
- (11) Public Input – (3) minutes limit – Please state your name and address

Remember to please call the Park Office or the Park Board President (Brad Marshall) if you have an item that needs to be placed on the agenda.

**\* Next Park Board Meeting – Tuesday, December 21, 2021 (6:00 p.m.) - City Hall Auditorium**

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## Superintendent Report

Tuesday, October 12, 2021

Congratulations!!! The City of Muncie and Muncie Parks & Recreation will host the 2021 Indiana State Park and Recreation Conference on November 2-4, 2021, downtown at the Horizon Convention Center.

### **Parks**

The Park's Department staff continues to stay busy with wrapping up mowing as well as weed eating, pruning and painting. The Park Department is looking forward to transitioning to mulching this season. However, we will laying-off our Seasonal Workers until next year. Our Full-Time staff will continue with mulching our city parks.

### **Park Foundation**

The City of Muncie Mayor, Dan Ridenour, has provided the Muncie Parks and Recreation the opportunity to create a foundation to support our Parks Department.

### **Halteman Community/Park Open**

Congratulations to Halteman Neighborhood Association held their Grand Opening, Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 11:00am. We had several city officials were in attendance, as well as Halteman Neighborhood residents. Parks and Recreation were able to showcase: The water park, walking trail, new playground equipment, new shelter, bath-house and basketball court.

If the Board would have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the Park Office (765) 747-4858 or cell (765) 749-8490.

Carl Malone  
Superintendent  
Muncie Parks and Recreation



## YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PARK INITIATIVE



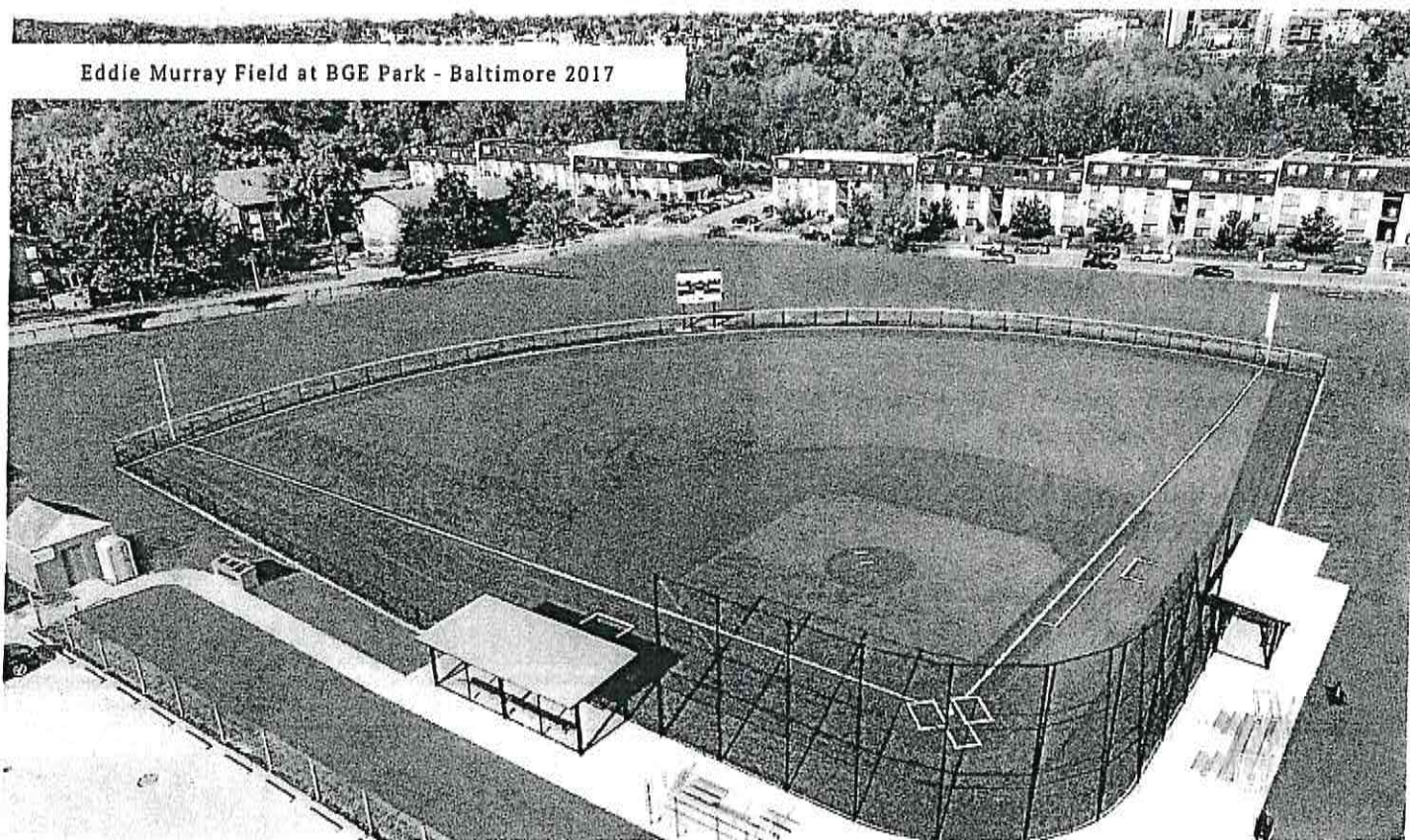
20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

TRANSFORM COMMUNITIES  
CHANGE KIDS' LIVES

**The Need** In many communities nationwide where crime rates are highest and the need is greatest, children are often lacking in a basic human need: a safe, clean place to play outdoors. All too often they have no opportunity to participate in instructional or competitive after-school programs, and are consistently denied access to mentors or coaches who care about their well-being and success. Many

urban ball fields and parks have deteriorated after decades of neglect, are overrun with trash, and are frequently used as a market place for criminal activity. Those growing up in such disinvested neighborhoods often experience high rates of negative and delinquent behavior, learning disabilities, physical health problems, and feel little hope for the future.

Eddie Murray Field at BGE Park - Baltimore 2017



**The Solution:** To help address the lack of clean outdoor playing spaces, and provide a positive supportive environment for kids, the Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation is working in local communities across the country to develop and construct synthetic-surface Youth Development Parks. These sometimes multipurpose, low-maintenance facilities serve as outdoor classrooms designed to provide recreational, educational, and athletic experiences for kids who desperately need a guiding hand. These parks will not only help fill a critical void, but help transform communities.

One of the keys to success is our partnership with existing youth organizations within these communities. Partnering with the likes of Boys & Girls Clubs, YMCA's, Parks & Recreation, and inner-city schools, gives us standing so that we are not seen as outsiders coming to solve "someone else's problem"—a longstanding challenge for national organizations in the past. Upon completion of each park, the Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation gifts the field to that community or local program partner where kids will have daily access to programming after school.



# YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PARK INITIATIVE



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**The Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation** developed the Youth Development Park (YDP) Initiative to create clean, safe spaces for kids to play all across the country. These synthetic turf facilities provide outdoor, recreational places for youth to learn, play, and, ultimately grow into healthy, successful adults.

**99** completed parks in **26** states

**19** additional parks  
in development

**465,443** kids have access to a Foundation  
Youth Development Park

## TOP 5 REASONS WHY YDPs MAKE A DIFFERENCE

- Provides an exciting place to run programming for youth serving organizations.
- Creates a healthy outlet for at-risk youth to escape negative influences.
- Transforms neighborhoods and brings pride back to the community.
- Kids get healthy through activities after school and learn from positive adult mentors.
- Provides a safe environment for kids to play.

## ARTIFICIAL TURF FACTS

- Durable, safe, resilient and hold their value
- Low maintenance and environmentally friendly
- Built to endure the rigors of high traffic and aggressive sports
- Increased playability in all weather
- Fewer injuries on the field



Banner Field at Latrobe Park - Baltimore, MD 2014



Hyland Park - Hartford, CT 2015

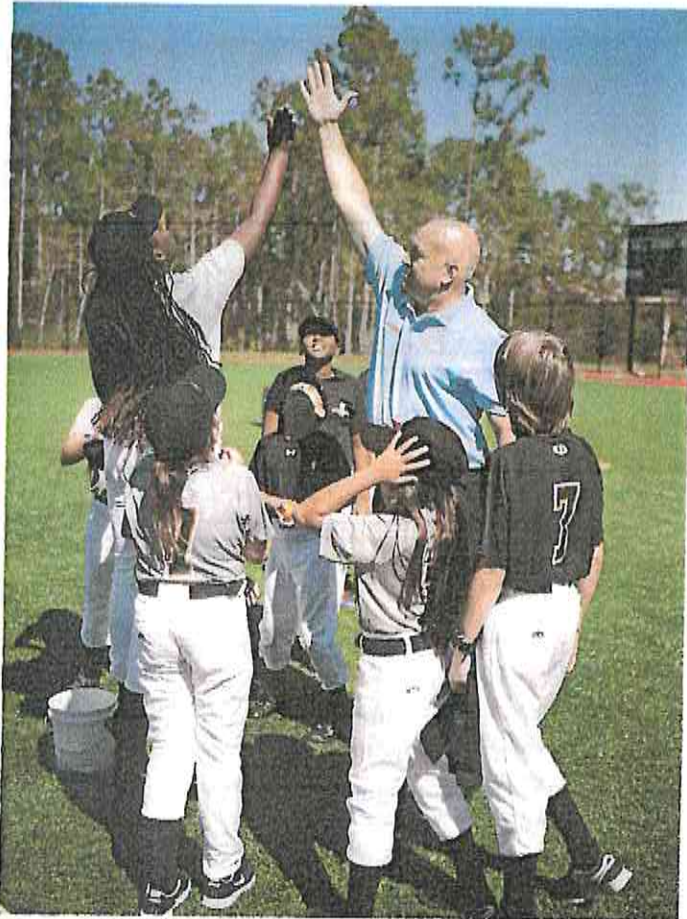


# MISSION



20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

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**Our Mission:** The Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation helps to strengthen America's most underserved and distressed communities by supporting and advocating for children, building Youth Development Parks, partnering with law enforcement and youth service agencies, and addressing community needs through its national program initiatives.

**Who We Serve and Why:** The Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, has worked tirelessly to implement programs that directly address the problems facing at-risk youth with a unique year-round crime prevention/mentoring program, *Badges for Baseball*, created in partnership with the U.S. Department of Justice. We recognize that caring adult law enforcement mentors are important role models that have a profound impact on the lives of youth in need of positive direction.

Inspired by one of the most iconic baseball families in history, the Ripkens created the Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation to honor the legacy of its family patriarch, longtime coach, and mentor, Cal Ripken, Sr. We use sports-themed and educational programs to bring police officers, youth mentors, and underserved kids ages 9 to 14 together on a level playing field. Law enforcement volunteers and youth partners at local community-based organizations are trained by the Foundation team to use baseball as a hook to get youth exposed to positive choices. These invested mentors use our youth development curriculums to infuse life lessons like teamwork, communication, and respect while building positive, healthy relationships with adult mentors. Reaching children at this tenuous time in their development is the key to transformational change in distressed communities throughout the U.S.

**Challenges Facing Youth:** In communities where the need is greatest, opportunities for children to grow and thrive can be limited. The U.S. Census Bureau estimates that almost 6 million children come home from school to empty homes.

With the proper guidance, kids can be shown a positive way up and out of the vicious cycle of poverty that does not involve drugs, crime, or gang life. Through active partnerships with youth organizations across the country, the Ripken Foundation connects underserved youth with positive mentors in constructive activities during afterschool hours when youth are most likely to commit or become a victim of crime.





## MISSION

**What We Do:** The Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation provides opportunities for kids to play in a safe environment, live healthy lifestyles, and learn to make productive choices for their futures.

## YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PARKS

Since 2010, the Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation has completed 99 Youth Development Parks—baseball or multipurpose, synthetic surface fields that give at-risk youth clean, safe places for to play, and grow. Currently, we have parks operating in 26 states including:

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|-----------------|--------------------|
| • Arkansas      | • Mississippi      |
| • California    | • Missouri         |
| • Colorado      | • New York         |
| • Connecticut   | • North Carolina   |
| • Florida       | • Ohio             |
| • Georgia       | • Oklahoma         |
| • Illinois      | • Oregon           |
| • Indiana       | • Pennsylvania     |
| • Kansas        | • Texas            |
| • Louisiana     | • Virginia         |
| • Maine         | • Washington       |
| • Massachusetts | • Washington, D.C. |
| • Maryland      | • Wisconsin        |
| • Minnesota     |                    |

Plus, many more youth parks are currently under construction or in the fundraising or design stages. As safe havens to learn, play, and grow, these parks will be symbols of hope in distressed neighborhoods.

## CHILD SAFETY TOOLKIT

**National Child Protection Tool Kit:** Resource which includes Child Protection Policy, affordable background checks and child safety training videos.



## YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

- Badges for Baseball (crime prevention/mentoring program)
- Healthy Choices, Healthy Children (character education curriculum)
- Ripken Summer Camp (weeklong summer camp)
- I'm GREAT (leadership program for girls)
- STEM (curriculum and equipment to create Technology Centers)
- Baseball/Softball/Quickball Camps
- College Day Experience (exposure to college life)
- Healthy Lifestyles (Fitness & Nutrition Curriculum)
- Ripken Instructional Leagues (Organized team sports)

## VIRTUAL PROGRAMS

- Ripken Playbook
- Ripken Live
- Virtual Fitness
- At-Home STEM Kits



## Prairie Creek Campground 2021 Survey

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
I feel Prairie Creek is moving in the right direction with improvements to the park.					
Prairie Creek Park Security has made the park a safe environment for my family.					
When a complaint is made to Prairie Creek Staff, I feel it is taken seriously and addressed as quickly as possible.					
Prairie Creek maintenance staff kept the park cleaned and maintained for the 2021 season.					
I feel safe to make a complaint about another camper violating park rules.					

With the continued rising of labor and utility costs, a raise in fees will be taken into consideration. When fees are not increased, the park cannot keep up with basic maintenance. What would you consider a fair raise of fees for annual campsites?

Circle one: **+10%**   **+15%**   **+20%**   **+25%**   **+30%**

What upgrades/improvements would change your decision if you chose a lower percentage amount?

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If there is one change you would like to see at Prairie Creek, what would that be?

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**DESIGNATED ENDOWMENT FUND AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION  
OF MUNCIE AND DELAWARE COUNTY, INC.,  
AND  
MUNCIE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT ("DONORS")**

**THIS AGREEMENT** (the "Agreement") is made and entered into as of October \_\_, 2021, by and between The Community Foundation of Muncie and Delaware County, Inc. (the "Community Foundation"), and \_Muncie Parks and Recreation Department ("Donors").

**Recitals**

**WHEREAS**, Donors desire to establish a designated endowment fund in the Community Foundation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Community Foundation is an Indiana nonprofit corporation exempt from federal income taxes under Internal Revenue Code ("Code") section 501(c)(3), a public charity described in Code section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), and accordingly an appropriate institution within which to establish such a designated endowment fund; and

**WHEREAS**, the Community Foundation is willing and able to hold and administer such a designated endowment fund, subject to the terms and conditions hereof.

**General Provisions**

**NOW THEREFORE**, the parties agree as follows:

**1. GIFT AND FUND DESIGNATION.** Donors hereby transfer irrevocably to the Community Foundation the property (cash, publicly traded securities, or other assets) described in the attached Exhibit A to establish a designated endowment fund to be known as the \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Fund"). Subject to the right of the Community Foundation to reject any particular gift, from time to time the Community Foundation may accept additional irrevocable gifts of property from Donors or from any other source to be added to the Fund, all subject to the provisions hereof. All gifts, bequests, and devises to this Fund shall be irrevocable once accepted by the Community Foundation.

**2. PURPOSE.** The purpose of the Fund shall be to provide support to \_\_\_\_\_ (a single tax-exempt nonprofit organization described in Code sections 501(c)(3) and either 509(a)(1), 509(a)(2), or 509(a)(3)) (the "Designated Agency"), as directed by the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Community Foundation. Such support shall be used to further the charitable or other exempt purposes of the Designated Agency within the meaning of Code section 170(c)(1) or



170(c)(2)(B) and shall be consistent with the mission and purposes of the Community Foundation.

**3. DISTRIBUTIONS.** The ordinary income, capital appreciation (realized and unrealized), and principal (both historic dollar value and any principal contributions, accumulations, additions, or reinvestments) allocable to the Fund, net of the fees and expenses set forth in this Agreement, may be committed, granted, or expended pursuant to the distribution (or spending) policy of the Community Foundation, as such policy may be amended from time to time by the Community Foundation, solely for purposes described in this Agreement. The Community Foundation's distribution (or spending) policy, as applied to endowments such as the Fund, shall be designed to take into account total return concepts of investment and spending, with the goal of preserving the real spending power of endowments over time while balancing the need for consistent spending to support the charitable and similar exempt purposes of such endowments.

If any gift to the Community Foundation for the Fund is accepted subject to conditions or restrictions as to the use of the gift or income therefrom, such conditions or restrictions will be honored, subject, however, to the authority of the Board to vary the terms of any gift if continued adherence to any condition or restriction is in the judgment of the Board unnecessary, incapable of fulfillment, or inconsistent with the charitable or other exempt purposes of the Community Foundation or the needs of the community served by the Community Foundation. No distribution shall be made from the Fund that may in the judgment of the Community Foundation jeopardize or be inconsistent with the Community Foundation's Code section 501(c)(3) status or result in the imposition of any excise tax, penalty, or other tax, fine, or assessment under the Code.

**4. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.** Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Community Foundation shall hold and administer the Fund, and all contributions and assets allocable to the Fund, subject to the provisions of applicable law and the Community Foundation's Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, as amended from time to time. The Board shall oversee distributions from the Fund and shall have all powers of modification and removal specified in United States Treasury Regulation section 1.170A-9(e)(11)(v)(B).

The Board agrees to provide Donors a copy of any annual examination of the finances of the Community Foundation as reported by independent certified public accountants.

This Agreement and all related proceedings shall be governed by and interpreted under the laws of the State of Indiana. Any action with respect to this Agreement shall be brought in or venued to a court of competent jurisdiction in Indiana.

**5. CONDITIONS FOR ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS.** Donors agree and acknowledge that the establishment of the Fund is made in recognition of, and subject at all times to, applicable law and the terms and conditions of the Articles of Incorporation

and Bylaws of the Community Foundation, as amended from time to time, including, but not by way of limitation, provisions for:

- a. Presumption of Donors' intent;
- b. Variance from Donors' direction; and
- c. Amendments.

**6. CONTINUITY OF THE FUND.** The Fund shall continue so long as assets are available in the Fund and the purposes of the Fund can be served by its continuation. If the Fund is terminated, the Community Foundation shall use any remaining assets in the Fund exclusively for charitable or other exempt purposes that:

- a. are within the scope of the charitable and other exempt purposes of the Community Foundation; and
- b. most nearly approximate, in the good faith opinion of the Board, the original purpose of the Fund.

**7. NOT A SEPARATE TRUST.** The Fund shall be a component part of the Community Foundation. All money and property in the Fund shall be held as general assets of the Community Foundation and not segregated as trust property of a separate trust.

**8. ACCOUNTING.** The receipts and disbursements of the Fund shall be accounted for separately and apart from those of other gifts to the Community Foundation.

**9. INVESTMENT OF FUND ASSETS.** The Community Foundation shall have all powers necessary, or in its judgment desirable, to carry out the purposes of the Fund including, but not limited to, the power to retain, invest, and reinvest the assets of the Fund and the power to commingle the assets of the Fund for investment purposes with those of other funds or the Community Foundation's general assets.

**10. COSTS OF THE FUND.** It is understood and agreed that the Fund shall share a fair portion of the total investment and administrative costs and expenses of the Community Foundation. Those costs and expenses charged against the Fund shall be determined in accordance with the then current fee schedule identified by the Community Foundation as applicable to funds of this type, as such schedule may be amended by the Community Foundation from time to time. Any costs and expenses incurred by the Community Foundation in accepting, transferring, or managing property donated to the Community Foundation for the Fund, including without limitation the Community Foundation's costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys fees) of any claim or proceeding with respect to the Fund in which the Community Foundation is prevailing party, also shall be paid from the Fund.



**Execution**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, Donors and the Community Foundation, by a duly authorized officer, have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

**DONORS:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Donor

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Donor

**THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF MUNCIE AND DELAWARE COUNTY, INC.:**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kelly K. Shrock  
President

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXHIBIT A**

**LIST OF INITIAL DONATIONS TO FUND**

Cash: \_\_\_\_\_



# Park Board Meeting Public Input Sign In Sheet

Date: Oct. 12, 2021

Name (Please Print)

Address

1. Jennifer Erickson 705 W Ashland Ave

2. \_\_\_\_\_

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# **Muncie Park & Recreation Board Meeting**

**October 12, 2021 6p.m.**

**City Hall Auditorium**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER-** Brad Marshall called meeting to order at 6:00p.m.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – All stood for the Pledge
- 3. MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR ADRIAN LEAVELL**
- 3. ROLL CALL-**Present was President Brad Marshall, Mark Ervin and Dr. Shannon Powers. Absent were Vice President Adrian Level (deceased) and Yolanda Carey.
- 4. APPROVAL OF PARKS BOARD MINUTES-** Vote taken by all Board members present. Motion carries. Approved by all members present.
- 5. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT- Carl Malone - See Report**

## **IPRA State Conference**

- Muncie is hosting the IPRA State Conference November 2 – 4, 2021
- Parks Department has worked with MITS to provide transportation for those staying at hotels on the other side of town.
- Four offsite visits this year. The sites will be Cooley, Halteman, Morningside and Kitselman Trailhead.
- 6 employees will be attending on IPRA scholarships.

## **Parks Highlights and Updates**

- Currently working on mowing, mulching and the removal of unsafe trees at Heekin and McCulloch.
- Removal of unsafe playground equipment.
- This will be the last week for seasonal workers. They have all been notified their last day will be Friday, October 15, 2021.
- Foundation formation
- Halteman Park Open House



Dr. Shannon Powers inquired if there were any events for the Board Members to attend at the conference. Carl Malone stated as soon as the schedule of events was available from IPRA he would forward it to the Board.

Dr. Shannon Powers inquired if the Board Members could have name tags for the event. Carl Malone stated he would have name tags made for them and possibly Polo shirts if time permits. Dr. Powers inquired if they could have the new logo and Mr. Malone stated he will look into it.

## **2022 Plans and Projects**

### **Riverview Park**

- Met with the Whitely Neighborhood Association last night (October 11, 2021) to discuss their wants and needs for the space.
- Splash Park
- Looking at July 4, 2022 for the Grand Opening.

### **Lafferty Field**

- Cal Ripken Foundation is still in discussion with the City and the Mayor and things are moving forward. Construction will begin soon.
- Discussion with the Lafferty Family regarding the naming of the field and sharing billing on the scoreboard with the Cal Ripken Foundation and other donors.

## **Questions from the Board**

Dr. Shannon Powers inquired if there have been any incidents at the new splash pads. Mr. Malone stated none have been reported.

Brad Marshall inquired if the new splash pads have been closed for the season. Mr. Malone invited Dustin Clark, Project Manager for the four parks to discuss. Mr. Clark stated the splash pads are on an automated timer system and they will most likely not be closed until the last 70 degree days are expected.

Brad Marshall inquired if the splash pad features will be taken down. Mr. Clark stated they have not been taken down but they will be and will be stored. Mr. Clark states they are pending the final 2 (two) visits from Vortex for winterization in which they will show employees how to do the process for the future years.

Dr. Shannon Powers inquired which employees will be involved in the winterization process. Mr. Clark stated it would be himself and 2 (two) Parks employees designated by Mr. Malone.

Dr. Shannon Powers inquired where the parts will be stored. Mr. Clark stated that would be up to the Parks Department Superintendent.

Brad Marshall turned the floor over to Prairie Creek.

### **Prairie Creek Report – Dustin Clark and Ashley Wright**

- Prairie Creek had a tremendous year. Mr. Clark gave his thanks to the public, Iron Man staff and the Prairie Creek staff for their hard work for Iron Man Muncie.
- Preparing to end the season
- October 16, 2021 Golf Cart Haunted Trail which is put on by the campers. Prairie Creek staff will put on the Hay Ride from 5 – 7 PM.
- October 31, 2021 will be the last day for camping and docks. Then winterization begins.

### **Winterization**

- Currently preparing for winter storage and surveys for the campers. Requested the Board submit any questions they would like to add.

Dr. Shannon Powers inquired about the survey and Brad Marshall stated the email was received right before the start of the meeting. Ashley Wright passed out copies of the rough draft to the Board Members.

Dr. Shannon Powers inquired about the typical return rate at Prairie Creek. Ashley Wright stated it is nearly 100% for Campers and of the 740 Dock spaces only 18 of those from 2020 didn't return in 2021.

Brad Marshall stated the Board will email their feedback on the survey to Dustin Clark. Mr. Clark then stated his email so the public can send in questions as well.



## **Prairie Creek Highlights and Updates**

### **2021 Upgrades and Improvements**

- Upgrades to the shower house, cabin flooring and décor, outside decorations
- 99% completed a new orchard of various fruit trees
- New roof on the airport shelter
- New security fencing around the beach parking lot

### **2022 Upgrades and Improvements**

- Road Signs are needed throughout the area. Stop signs and speed monitoring devices possibly. There will now be a 4 way stop at the boat launch.

Dr. Shannon Powers inquired about signage in the park and Mr. Clark states they have been working with Donnie Wright and the Street department to update them. 60 - 70% interior signs have been taken down and have been replaced by updated code compliant signs. Dr. Powers inquired who was used for the signs and Ms. Wright stated TMax was used to upgrade all the signs to reflect the proper city and county codes and ordinances.

Carl Malone asked if Dustin Clark could discuss the camp ground upgrades for 2022. Mr. Clark stated they are in talks with AEP to check the power supply infrastructure and Titan Electric has done surveys on 2 (two) sites and they are awaiting the results. Mr. Clark also stated they must handle the implementation of the wells and water lines before any other work can proceed. Awaiting report from R&S Well Drilling Inc. to move forward.

## **6. APPROVAL FOR PARK FOUNDATION- George Foley, Programs Director**

- Create a fund through Muncie-Delaware County Community Foundation to receive donations from private individuals and corporate entities to fund the Parks Department and specific projects.

Brad Marshall stated he spoke with Kelly at Community Foundation to discuss the benefits of both an endowment and a pass-through fund as there are different fees and usage rates associated with each account.

George Foley stated he was happy the Board was ready to move forward and the Mayor was also on board with \$10,000.00 initial funding for the foundation. Mr. Foley stated this would be a great opportunity to implement Capital Campaigns to

raise additional funds for projects. Mr. Foley stated they would like the board to name the foundation.

Dr. Powers inquired if both an endowment and a pass-through could be set up. Mark Ervin explained the endowment could be for long term investment allowing the earned interest to be disbursed for projects without touching the principal balance and the pass-through could be used for gifts, donations or estate bequests for specific projects or parks allowing the use of the principal balance.

Mr. Marshall would like to extend an invitation to Kelly from Community Foundation to attend the next Board meeting and Mr. Foley suggested Carlie be included as she has been their representative at the Foundation.

Dr. Powers inquired if \$20,000 would be needed to set up both types of accounts. Mark Ervin stated based on his past with the Foundation it was typically an initial set up of \$10,000 for an Endowment but no minimum for the Pass-through. Mr. Marshall agreed and added the fee for the endowment is 1 (one)% and for the pass-through 2 (two)% on deposits. Endowment for this year was a 4.4% available spend adjusted based on performance.

Mark Ervin put forth the motion to move forward with the formation of the foundation and extend an invitation to Kelly and Carlie for the December meeting. All members present agreed. The item will be put on the agenda for the December meeting.

## **7. OLD BUSINESS – No old business to address**

## **8. NEW BUSINESS- George Foley, Programs Director**

### **New Parks Department Logo**

- 3 (three) logos were presented (see attached) and the Board agreed upon Logo #2 with a suggestion to increase the font of Parks and Recreation on the second line.

### **Trunk or Treat**

- Will be on October 30, 2021 from 5 – 8 PM at Heekin Park. The event will be co-hosted by DeeDee Walker and The Boys & Girls Club.
- Would like to thank the following sponsors who have donated Food and Candy: First Choice Electric, K. Woods Beauti, Ty's Skills Academy, Mama Bond's Soul Food Kitchen, John Frank Football League, Be's Beauty and All Quality Construction.



- Target has donated Gift Cards which will be awarded to the 2 (two) best decorated cars.
- Emphasizing community service with the youth so there will be youth volunteers from John Frank Football, Phenom Nation Football and the NAACP assisting with the event. They will assist with handing out food and drinks which have been donated by various sponsors.

### **Fall Baseball Camp**

- October 11 – 13, 2021 at Thomas Park
- Sponsored by Parks & Recreation, The Barn Academy and Tom Terrel.
- 30 youth between the ages of 8 – 14 signed up and lunches were provided by Parks & Recreation.

Dr. Powers inquired about any new programs starting soon. Mr. Foley stated he and Mr. Malone will be looking to work with the **Cal Ripken Foundation Stem Program** to offer stem programs through the park which can be held in the cabins.

Mr. Foley stated he is also in talks with Ball State to do some programming for **Seniors**.

- Light Exercise (will reach out to Dr. Powers)
- Healthy Wellness

Dr. Powers inquired about planning for the winter. Mr. Foley discussed the Youth Leadership Program.

### **Youth Leadership Program**

- In collaboration with Ivy Tech, Shafer Leadership Academy, Ball State and the NAACP who received a \$250,000 grant from Indiana Michigan Power to help the Muncie and Delaware County youth with leadership development.
- Held a virtual college fair with the assistance of Rhonda Ward from Muncie Central. There were 60 colleges that participated. The participating youth were gathered at Muncie Central and interacted with the colleges on their Chromebooks.
- Will be attending college fairs and looking at visits to 2 – 4 colleges in 2022.

### **Buley Center**

- Renovation of the basketball court completed and it is being used daily by the neighborhood youth.

**9. OTHER BUSINESS – No items presented**

**10. ACTION ITEMS – None presented**

**11. PUBLIC INPUT- 3 minute limit- Please state your name and address.**

**Jennifer Erickson – Ball State Professor**

- Classes held Tuesday and Thursday from 2 – 3:15 PM in the Burkhardt Building at Ball State.
- Would like to schedule members of the Board and Parks Department to speak to her students.
- Still in the data gathering phase with a focus on Heekin, Tuhey, McCulloch and Westside Parks. Will have the report to the Board at the end of the semester.

**\* Next Park Board meeting is currently scheduled for December 21, 2021 but will be rescheduled to the week of December 13 - 17, 2021 6 p.m. City Hall Auditorium depending on availability.**

**Meeting adjourned by Brad Marshall, President.**